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For: LIGHT AMPLIFYING FIBER, AND LIGHT AMPLIFYING METHOD, LASER OSCILLATION METHOD, LASER AMPLIFYING APPARATUS AND LASER OSCILLATION APPARATUS USING THE LIGHT AMPLIFYING FIBER, AS WELL AS LASER APPARATUS AND LASER PROCESSING MACHINE USING THE LASER OSCILLATION APPARATUS

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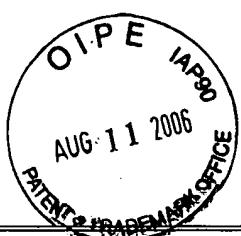
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